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NORTH KOREAN PRESS SUMMARY

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1. ALL YOUTH OF FARM VILLAGES! LET US TRANSPLANT (EDITORIAL)

Farmers and youths in farm villages all over North Korea, who have just completed their seeding, are now making every effort to transplant for a big harvest this year. The farmers and the members of the Korean Democratic Youth League in Kaechon County, South P'yongan Province, and Chaeryong County, Hwanghae Province, began transplanting on 13 May, applying advanced farming methods, after preparing for the necessary water and agricultural implements. Premier KIM Il-sung has emphasized that "to transplant in time is an important factor for a big harvest". To achieve good results in transplanting, all youths should make every effort to have enough water and to make "self-supporting" fertilizer. All members of the Democratic Youth League should do their best to lead the farmers and help bereaved families and families of Army personnel in transplanting, and should be good examples to the farmers.

2. LETTER FROM KIM IL-SUNG TO LABORERS, ENGINEERS, AND BUSINESS MEN PARTICIPATING IN RECONSTRUCTION OF NAMPO GLASS FACTORY

"In view of the fact that the Nampo Glass Factory, which was damaged during the war, has just begun the production of glass again due to your self-sacrificing efforts, on behalf of the North Korean Government and Labor Party I hereby thank you for your splendid laborious achievement. The results gained by overcoming many difficulties will considerably boost the efforts of the people in carrying out the historic three-year rehabilitation plan of the fatherland. I firmly believe that you will discharge your responsibilities heroically in the near future by completely reconstructing the Nampo Glass Factory, and expanding it so

as to supply the demand for glass which is greatly needed in the reconstruction program."

3. NAMPO GLASS FACTORY BEGINS TO PRODUCE PLATE GLASS

By the self-sacrificing efforts of laborers, engineers, and businessmen, in accordance with the instructions of Premier KIM Il-sung on the rehabilitation of the fatherland, the Nampo Glass Factory on 9 May began producing plate glass. The workers of this factory are now making every effort to carry out the three-year rehabilitation program. It is expected that this factory will exceed the level of prewar production of three tons a day by the end of this year. In 1955 more equipment for the production of glass and chemical glass will be installed, and production will greatly increase.

(PHOTO OF PLATE GLASS PRODUCED IN NAMPO GLASS FACTORY AND WORKERS OF FACTORY)

4. TRANSPLANTING CAMPAIGN

The farmers in Manha-ri, Yonggang County, South P'yongan Province, are competing with one another in transplanting to produce a big harvest. The youths of this town have initiated a fine custom of "mutual assistance" in transplanting by helping old farmers and bereaved families of soldiers. They hope to produce a harvest 108% that of the previous year. (PHOTO OF WOMEN FARMERS TRANSPLANTING)

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5. WORK OF DEMOCRATIC YOUTH LEAGUE IN SINUIJU SILK MILL

In its effort for increased silk production, the Sinuiju Silk Mill did not achieve good results. Criticizing and correcting the defects through meetings, the Democratic Youth League of this factory led the workers to increased production by basing the effort on each individual's pledge of a quota and by inspecting each individual's production. The No. 2 brigade of this factory is now exceeding its production goal for each day by 29%.

6. GRAPH SHOWING FUTURE PROSPECT OF NK MINING INDUSTRY

- a) The production of antimony in 1956 will be 300% that of 1949.
- b) The production of zinc in 1956 will be 270% that of 1949.
- c) The production of lead in 1956 will be 380% that of 1949.

7. COMRADE KIM OK-SUN TEACHES EAGERLY

To achieve good results in the political education of farmers and members of the Korean Democratic Youth League, Comrade KIM Ok-sun, leader of the political studying group in Ryonggok-ri, Sangwon County, is now teaching these people with great zeal.

8. COMRADE CHANG IN-KIL, CHAIRMAN OF TAEDONG COUNTY DEMOCRATIC YOUTH LEAGUE, NEGLECTS HIS WORK

In March 1954 the Central Committee of the Korean Labor Party clearly instructed the Korean Democratic Youth League and its staff members how to perform the task of strengthening the political education of the people. In connection with this instruction, the

Taedong County Party Committee instructed the staff members of the Taedong Democratic Youth League to take measures toward strengthening the political education of the people through the Democratic Propaganda Office. But Comrade CHANG In-kil, chairman of the Taedong County League, neglected to do this. As a result, meetings of the League were discontinued, the political education of the people was almost abandoned, and the members of the League did not achieve satisfactory results in agriculture. CHANG and his aides should make every effort to complete the task of strengthening the political education of the people by taking the necessary measures.

9. STRENGTHENING OF STUDY REGULATION BY DEMOCRATIC YOUTH LEAGUE

The strengthening of study regulations at schools is an important factor in the establishment of regular self-awakening and study habits. In spite of the fact that this task is one of the most important of the Democratic Youth League, League members are now neglecting it by only using bureaucratic methods and criticizing themselves in vain. They should do their best to strengthen the study regulation at schools by educating the students through criticism.

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10. STUDYING MECHANICS AT FACTORY

A factory under the management of Comrade PAK Tong-hae, Chairman of the Democratic Youth League, has promoted efficiency in production by 120%, because 40 able engineers, including Comrades KIM Ki-wan, YI Tong-ki, and YI Kyong-pok, work in the factory. Upon graduating from the School of Labor and the Night Technical School where they studied mechanics, they began to learn the actual technique by utilizing in actual production the theories on mechanics studied at schools. At the same time, the Democratic Youth League of this factory helped them in learning the actual technique at the factory by holding meetings on technical studies, exchanges of experiences, and studies of the accomplishments of capable engineers who have worked in the factory in the past. In view of the fact that mere study of the actual technique at the factory does not lead them to be skilled mechanics the Democratic Youth League instructed qualified mechanics to aid these novices individually. After becoming first rate mechanics in this way, they recognized that practical experience was the most effective technical school.

11. COMRADE YI KYONG-UN'S EXPERIENCE IN TRAINING ABLE MECHANICS

Praising Comrade YI Kyong-un's splendid achievement in training four able mechanics in the last year, the Democratic Youth League of a railway factory under the management of Comrade KIM Nak-su, chairman of the League, instructed comrade YI at a meeting held this year to train Comrade YI Kwang-hae, a grade 4 mechanic, to be a grade 5 mechanic, and Comrade YI Chon-u, a grade 6 mechanic, to be a grade 7 mechanic. In discussions with these two, YI Kyong-un explained to them the methods of using tools, names of the accessories, the applied methods of mutual combinations, and the working procedures. For more precise teaching on machinery, he dismantled a machine and taught them the

relationship of the various accessories and the causes of breakdowns by explaining the inner parts of the machine. He instructed them to study theories on machinery for at least two hours a day, and to participate in the technical studies meetings held once a week in the factory to discuss the important problems experienced with machinery. In this way, they are becoming able mechanics, and are presently exceeding their production goal for each day by 30%.

By Yi Kyong-un

Mechanic at a railway factory under the management of Comrade KIM Nak-su, chairman of the Democratic Youth League.

12. TECHNICAL TEACHING AT SUNGHO-RI CEMENT FACTORY

Comrade AN Chang-ho, an excellent mechanic at the Sungho-ri Cement Factory, is now eagerly teaching Comrades KIM Sung-kon and CHON Un-ok the construction of a transformer and motor after dismantling them. The Sungho-ri Cement Factory holds technical studies meetings three or four times a week for the workers of this factory.

(PHOTO OF COMRADE AN CHANG-HO TEACHING CONSTRUCTION OF TRANSFORMER AND MOTOR)

13. MEETING TO EXCHANGE EXPERIENCES HELD IN WONSAN

Many inventors of production economies from all factories in the Wonsan district of Kangwon Province met at a factory under the management of Comrade Yi Chang-cho to exchange their experiences in production. Comrade Yi Kun-chon, lathe man at a vehicle factory under the management of Comrade KIM Sun-il, said at this meeting that in spite of the fact that his factory needed five litres of pitch daily in the operation of 14 sets of lathes, he succeeded in conserving 450 litres of pitch for the first quarter period by initiating the use of grease in the operation of lathes instead of using pitch. Comrade PYONG Won-kil, worker in a factory under the management of Comrade CHONG Il-yong, said that in view of the fact that about 30,000 nuts were needed in the construction of a boat of 50 tons, he succeeded in producing 1,200 nuts a day by inventing a new nut machine, which did the work of 180 laborers in the first quarter period. The workers of a factory under the management of Comrade KIM Tong-su gave about 20,000 won to the country for the first quarter period, which was the profit received from making desks, chairs, dining tables, blackboards, and bulletin-boards from firewood.

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14. GENEVA CONFERENCE

On 8 May the Geneva Conference took up the problem of the re-establishment of peace in Indochina.

(CARTOON: POLICY OF AMERICAN AGGRESSORS IN OBTAINING MILITARY BASES IN SOUTHEAST ASIA)

15. EFFORT FOR A BIG HARVEST IN WIROSIKROV (SIC) KOLKHOZ

The Wirosikrov (sic) Kolkhoz (collective farm) in Russia received 7,100 hectares of farm land gratis from the Soviet Government. This Kolkhoz seeded grain in 4,824 hectares of the land, raw cotton in 2,000

hectares, and peanuts, grapes vegetables, and potatoes in the remainder. The Kolkhoz is now making every effort to produce a big harvest this year by learning advanced farming methods through agricultural innovations, making "self-supporting" fertilizer after weeding, guaranteeing sufficient "feed-water," and organizing newspaper reading meetings in order to learn the decisions of the Party and the Government on agriculture.

16. THOUGHTS OF EDITORIAL SECTION OF MINCHU CH'ONGNYON AFTER READING PRIZE LITERARY WORKS IN APRIL

On the occasion of the 8th anniversary of the founding of the Korean Democratic Youth League, the Minchu Ch'ongnyon made a collection of prize literary works of North Korean youths. This collection of works makes one realize that the desire of North Korean youth for the creation of literary works is increasing in quality and quantity.

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1. YOUTH CHORUS

All Korean Democratic Youth Leagues should do their best to organize youth choruses in factories, farm villages, national stock-farms, fishing villages, and schools. The P'yongyang Democratic Youth League is now managing a combined chorus of 1,300 young men, composed of youth choruses of factories and schools in that district.

2. PHOTO OF FACTORY WORKERS STUDYING LAWS AND ORDINANCES ON THREE-YEAR REHABILITATION PROGRAM OF FATHERLAND

The workers of a factory under the management of comrade PAK Song-sun, chairman of the Korean Democratic Youth League, are now making every effort to carry out the laws and ordinances on the three-year rehabilitation program of the fatherland by studying the laws and ordinances thoroughly.

3. MEETING OF ENTHUSIASTS IN FIELD OF FORESTRY ALL OVER NORTH KOREA

The meeting of workers from all over North Korea in the field of forestry began on 5 May and lasted three days. Premier KIM Il-song and comrade PAK Chong-ae, Vice Chairman of the Central Committee of the Korean Labor Party, attended the second day of the meeting. Addressing the meeting, Premier KIM Il-song congratulated the laborers, engineers, and businessmen in the field of forestry on their splendid achievements in the struggle for the unification and independence of the fatherland during the war, and the rehabilitation of the postwar people's economy. He emphasized that forestry workers should make every effort to strengthen the work of protecting forest resources, correlate the work of felling and transporting timber, and stop the

waste of timber by exchanging new techniques and experiences in their work. All attending the meeting took oaths to display their creative efforts and concentrate all their might to the struggle for the increased production of lumber and the accomplishment of the three-year rehabilitation program in accordance with the instructions of Premier KIM Il-song. Discussion meetings were held on 6 and 7 May, in which comrades KIM Hwa-ryong, labor hero, KIM San-kun, manager of the North Korean Forest Products Office, PAE Hong-sik, YI Sung-chun, KIM Tae-sung, KIM Hung-ku, PAK Yong-peng, RIM Chol, CHOE Song-kyu, and others participated.

During the three-day meeting the championship flag was awarded to the Yupyong Forest Products Office, which had exceeded the national production goal for the first quarter of this year by 109.7% in the struggle for increased production of lumber. All attending the meeting voted to rouse themselves to action in the struggle for the accomplishment of the three-year rehabilitation program. A letter to Premier KIM Il-song was unanimously adopted.

4. GENEVA CONFERENCE

The Geneva Conference again began to discuss the Korean problem on 7 May after a two-day lapse. The chief representative of China to the Conference CHOU En-lai, fervently supporting the North Korean Foreign Minister's 3 May proposal on the peaceful settlement of the Korean problem, made known the aggressive actions in Korea of the American aggressors. CHOU proposed the following: (1) take measures to repatriate the North Korean and Chinese prisoners of war who were forced to join the armies of the puppets SYNGMAN RHEE and CHIANG Kai-shek after interment by the United Nations Forces; (2) organize a committee composed of representatives of the U.S.A., Great Britain, France, China, U.S.S.R., North Korea, and South Korea for the execution of this measure; and (3) organize a joint committee, composed of Red Cross representatives of the countries who signed the Korean Armistice Agreement, to investigate the actual circumstances of the ex-North Korean and Chinese prisoners of war until the problem is settled. CHOU En-lai emphasized again the simultaneous withdrawal of the U.S. Army and the Chinese Army from Korea, so that a peaceful settlement of the Korean problem can be made by the Korean people themselves. At the 7 May meeting representatives of the Philippines, New Zealand, and Colombia made speeches supporting the proposal of the American aggressors to hold an election only in North Korea under the supervision of the United Nations.

5. COMRADE KWON SUN-CHAE'S CREATIVE DEVICE

Comrade KWON Sun-chae, a worker in the Kimchaek Refinery, commemorated May Day by creating a new device to simplify the complex process of refining. As a result the Kimchaek Refinery can conserve the efforts of 750 laborers a month.

6. COMRADE HAN CHANG-HWA'S CREATIVE EFFORT

Comrade HAN Chang-hwa, a worker in the Chonch'on Wooden Dish Manufactory, invented a new spike-making machine, with which three

workers in the factory produce 700 spikes daily. Three workers formerly produced 130 spikes a day.

7. COMRADE KIM YUN-SON'S DEVICE

A factory under the management of Comrade CHOE Pong-sik had many transformers and other electrical equipment to be repaired. Repair work on this equipment was being done manually by the laborers of the factory. For example the work of putting a coil in a transformer was done manually. Comrade KIM Yun-son, a mechanic of this factory, has now invented a new machine which rolls electric coils into shape. This has raised the efficiency of this factory in repairing electrical equipment by 250%.

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8. CONSTRUCTION UNIVERSITY IN P'YONGYANG

Many future young pioneers in the field of rehabilitation of the postwar people's economy are now studying hard at the Construction University in P'yongyang. The students of this university are very proud to have many famous and authoritative professors, such as Professors KIM Chong-hui, PAK In-pin, SO To-won and PANG Tok-kun. The university aims to foster many able engineers to aid in the construction of buildings, bridges, hydroelectric power stations, and tunnels. The students will reconstruct P'yongyang, Ch'ongjin, Hamhung, Wonsan, and other important cities damaged by the enemy during the war. In view of the fact that there are many rivers and mountains in North Korea, the students are now filled with the strong desire to reconstruct many tunnels and bridges damaged by the enemy during the war. The university has many laboratories and a large library containing about 10,000 books. Recently, the Kivisep (sic) Engineering University in Moscow contributed materials for research to the university, which will be completely constructed in the near future. The professors and the students are now studying hard for the splendid accomplishment of the postwar people's economy in accordance with the instructions of Premier KIM Il-song.

(PHOTO OF MODEL OF CONSTRUCTION UNIVERSITY IN P'YONGYANG)

9. EXECUTION OF PARTY AND GOVERNMENT'S DECISIONS

The Korean Democratic Youth League in Ch'osan County, Chagang Province, has made every effort to make the youths in that district understand the considerate measures of the Party and the government concerning the improvement of living standards of poor farmers. The League organized lecture and discussion meetings entitled "the considerate measures concerning the improvement of farmers' living standards". In these meetings, the facts that 320 meters of cotton fabrics and 888 kilograms of cotton were distributed last year to the poor farmers in that district to prepare them for the cold winter, according to Cabinet Decision No. 46; and that 1,900,000,000 won was loaned to them to aid their agriculture, according to the Cabinet Decision No. 19, were expounded to the farmers and youths.

The Democratic Youth League instructed the youths to increase their kind assistance to the poor farmers and the families of servicemen. The League in Songmyo-ri, Ch'osan County, greatly helped the poor farmers by contributing many animals and much rice to them.

By KIM Tae-chong

Vice Chairman of Korean Democratic Youth
League in Ch'osan County, Chagang
Province

10. STRENGTHENING OF BOY SCOUT MANAGEMENT

The editorial section of the Minchu Ch'ongnyon has received many letters from its readers, especially from many boy scout leaders and the staff members of the Korean Democratic Youth Leagues. These people stated in their letters that they were making every effort to carry out the decision of strengthening boy scout management, which was decided upon at the meeting of the Central Committee of the Korean Democratic Youth League. Comrades SO Il-sok, the boy scout leader of the Korean Democratic Youth League in Anpyong County, Kangwon Province, KIM Kyu-il, the boy scout leader of the League in Hamhung, South Hamgyong Province, and SONG Ki-yun, the boy scout leader of the League in Kuach'on County, Hwanghae Province, mentioned in their letters that the Democratic Youth Leagues in cities and counties were making every effort to strengthen boy scout management by taking in consideration the selection of boy scout leaders. Comrade YI Myong-yol, the boy scout leader of the P'yongyang No. 2 Middle School, sent a letter describing his experience in teaching the students to follow the example of Premier KIM Il-sung after explaining his patriotic achievement and past life; and Comrade CHIN Yong-kwon, the boy scout leader of the Suan No. 1 Middle School in Hwanghae Province, sent a letter describing the teaching of internationalism to the members of the boy scouts in his school.

All these letters prove that all staff members of the Korean Democratic Youth Leagues and boy scout leaders are now making every effort to carry out the problem of strengthening boy scout management.

11. QUESTION AND ANSWER COLUMN

What does the productive efficiency of labor mean? The productive efficiency of labor means the quantity of manufactured goods produced by one laborer in a certain length of time, or the ratio of the quantity of manufactured goods to hours of labor.

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12. RECONSTRUCTION OF TAEDONG IRON BRIDGE

A North Korean People's Army unit, under the leadership of Comrade SING Tong-kwa, is now concentrating day and night on reconstructing the Taedong Iron Bridge, which was damaged by the enemy during the war. Reconstruction of the bridge began 9 February. They have completely reconstructed four spans of the bridge, using scrap material from the bottom of the river. They have exceeded their goal for March and April. Comrade YI Kang-won of this unit is now exceeding

his reconstruction goal for each day by 250%. Each company of the unit held meetings to listen to Comrade Yi Kang-won's splendid experience in the reconstruction of the bridge. They are now concentrating on reconstructing two other spans of the bridge.
(PHOTO OF NK PEOPLE'S ARMY SOLDIERS RECONSTRUCTING TAEYONG IRON BRIDGE)

13. PREPARATION FOR CATCHING MACKEREL

For the splendid accomplishment of the three-year rehabilitation program of the fatherland, the fishermen of Kacho port are now strenuously preparing for a large catch of fish by reconstructing ravaged fishing boats and implements. Comrade KO In-son, who was awarded the National Flag Medal, third class, last year for his work in fishing, and his group have reconstructed 10 fishing boats. The fishermen in this area are expected to begin sailing on 20 May.

14. RECONSTRUCTION OF P'YONGYANG STADIUM

The youths in P'yongyang, working every Sunday, are now making every effort to reconstruct war-ravaged cultural institutions in accordance with the decisions of the Party and the government. They are now concentrating on reconstructing the war-ravaged Moranbong Stadium. The reconstruction work on the stadium is expected to be completely finished by 20 July. It will be 44,000 square meters in area, twice as large as before the war. The champions' room, champions' restaurant, guests' restaurant, broadcasting room, and other facilities will be constructed in this stadium. The construction of a large stand, capable of seating about 60,000 or 70,000 spectators, is expected to be completely finished by 15 August. The students of schools such as the Kim Il-song University, and the members of the Korean Democratic Youth League have been competing with one another in the construction of this large stand.

(PHOTO OF YOUTHS IN P'YONGYANG CONSTRUCTING MORANBONG STADIUM)

15. GRAPH SHOWING PROSPECT OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION IN 1956 AS COMPARED TO 1949

Rice	131%
Fruits	139.4%
Tobacco	130%
Vegetables	200%
Sericulture	114%
Other grains	109%

Total Agricultural Production 119%

16. CHINESE ARMY'S KIND ASSISTANCE FOR NORTH KOREAN FARMERS

Farmers in a certain village had much trouble in agriculture because the enemy had laid many mines in this village when they occupied the area during the war. A Chinese People's Army unit under the leadership of Comrade YANG San-ho helped the farmers in the village in the spring seeding by strenuously eliminating many of the mines. Since the war ceased, they have eliminated about 1000 mines. They also helped

the farmers by building many homes, schools, and a library for them. The farmers, receiving a large amount of cotton fabrics, many agricultural implements and a national loan from the government according to Cabinet Decisions No. 191 and 161, lead very happy lives. In the early part of May they held a meeting and decided to organize the reconstruction group for agricultural land and the democratic propaganda office for the improvement of cultural life.

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17. GENEVA CONFERENCE

The Geneva Conference proves firmly that the power policy of the American aggressors has failed. Although the American aggressors did their best to drive out the Chinese representatives from the Geneva Conference, the Chinese representatives have the status of being part of the Big Five in the Conference. Due to Soviet Foreign Minister Molotov's effort, the American aggressors abandoned their strategy to postpone the Geneva Conference against their will. The proposal of North Korean Foreign Minister NAM Il for the peaceful settlement of the Korean problem is being fervently supported by the peace-loving people of the world. The South Korean representatives have proposed nothing toward the peaceful settlement of the Korean problem, but have constantly slandered the reputations of Russia, China, and North Korea. All of these facts prove that the American power policy has failed.

18. NEWS FROM SOVIET UNION

According to a Tass dispatch from Moscow, the students of Moscow University graduating in 1954 will number about 3,000. Only 1,800 students graduated from this university last year.

19. MEETING HELD IN PEKING TO HONOR CHINESE YOUTH DAY

20. POEM "IN FRONT OF KIM IL-SONG'S PORTRAIT" BY COMRADE YI KON-KU

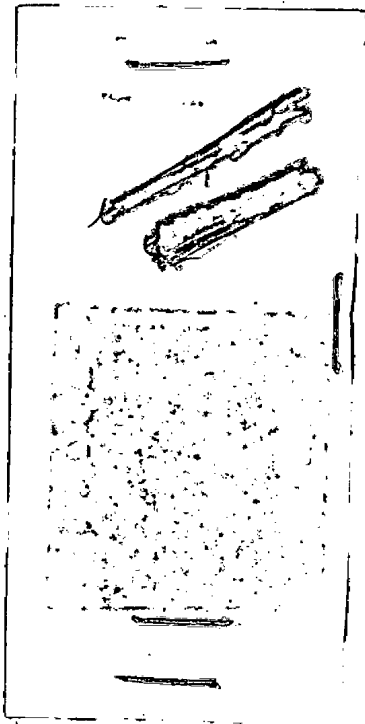
21. SOCCER CONTEST IN P'YONGYANG

A soccer contest was held in P'yongyang on 9 May in honor of the anniversary of the Soviet Army's triumph over the Nazi Army in the Second World War. The soccer team of the Nodong Sinmun (Labor Press) won the contest and was awarded the championship flag.

22. COMRADE PAK PUNG-KUN ORGANIZES MUSICAL GROUP COMPOSED OF 140 MEMBERS IN SOKPONG-RI, HWANGHAE PROVINCE

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Picture of the Taedong Iron Bridge, which appeared in the 11 May 1954 issue of the North Korean newspaper Minchu Ch'ongnyon.

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1. SOVIET UNION LOVES PEACE

Today the Korean people and all peace-loving nations are celebrating the ninth anniversary of the Soviet conquest of Nazi Germany. This matchless, magnificent Soviet victory has endangered the capitalistic system. A number of nations, unleashed from their old traditions due to the Soviet military achievements, are now on the road to socialism, enjoying their way of life and looking forward to their future. The Soviet Union, who rendered a valuable service during the Korean War, is successfully carrying on her fifth five-year economic plan. In the last three years of this five-year plan, industrial production has increased 45% over the preceding years, and agriculture has improved to a remarkable degree. The Geneva Conference was brought about by the constant efforts of the great Soviet people, who have worked for peace in Korea and for the peaceable unification of Korea. Molotov's 29 April address at the Geneva Conference, supporting NAM II's plan for Korean unification, illustrates the fact that Soviet policy always seeks a peaceable settlement in Asia and the world. It is certainly true that the Soviet Union has shown her sincerity in many ways for the solution of the Korean problem since the 15 August 1945 liberation. On the contrary, however, the U.S. imperialists have tried by every means to make Korea her military base for invading China and the U.S.S.R. By overcoming all of these hardships, the Korean people, encouraged by the Soviet Union's peace policy, will be victorious in the struggle for our nation's unification and prosperity. It is desirable for all of us to follow the heroic nation of the Soviet Union and strengthen the amity and unity between the two countries.

2. SCHOOLS AND SOCIAL COMMUNITIES OF P'YONGYANG HOLD MEETING TO SUPPORT NORTH KOREAN REPUBLIC PLAN FOR KOREAN UNIFICATION POSTED AT GENEVA CONFERENCE

3. FOR ACCOMPLISHMENT OF THREE-YEAR ECONOMIC PLAN

a. Brick Piler Yi Sang-ok's Account

The reconstruction of the city of P'yongyang is one of the most important tasks in the three-year economic plan. In the erection of the Moranbong Theater I have exceeded my work of piling bricks by 20%.

(PHOTO OF WORKER PILING UP BRICKS)

b. Latheman PAK Pong-un's Account

I am a winner of the First Class National Flag Decoration. As a latheman I am determined to fulfill my part in the three-year plan.

(PHOTO OF LATHEMAN AND MACHINE)

d. Transplanting at Proper Time by KANG Si-chung

The three-year plan promises great improvement in agriculture. To achieve my task in this field, I am endeavoring both to transplant at the proper time and to apply modern farming methods. My aim is to harvest four tons of rice on two acres of land.

(PHOTO OF WOMEN TRANSPLANTING)

4. PRODUCTION EFFICIENCY RAISED IN NORTH HAMGYONG PROVINCE

The second youth group of the Songjin Steel Refinery have exceeded their production goal 65% by always keeping their workrooms neat and their machines well taken care of.

Workers of a mine managed by SIM Yon-kyun have raised their production efficiency to 250%, due to the introduction of advanced mining methods.

5. INVENTION AT SINUIJU ENGINE YARD

CHANG Ung-kyu, a worker in the Sinuiju Engine Yard, has discovered a new way of repairing locomotive parts. Consequently, one-third of the labor power of this engine yard is saved.

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6. STATE PROPERTY SHOULD BE VALUED.

Workers of a factory managed by YI Chong-hun had the following phrase as their slogan: "Let us meet May Day by manufacturing goods of superior quality at low expense." The price reduction campaign has been the feature in their production activities. Last year at this factory costs were lowered by 12%, yielding a profit of 11,000,000 won. Of this profit 5,000,000 won was used for the welfare of the workers and for rewarding exemplary workers. The Democratic Youth League of this factory informed the workers of the commendable results brought about by their diligent work, and encouraged them to be happy in their work. The workers have endeavored to utilize idle resources and to save materials. As a result 1,280 square meters of leather were saved and a profit of more than 1,560,000 won was made in the first quarter period.

7. QUESTION AND ANSWER

Q. What does production grafik (phonetic) mean?

A. Grafik is a Russian word for diagram. Production grafik means a chart or a graph showing a factory's production.

Q. What does the estimation of basic labor quota mean?

A. It means to estimate a production quota to be accomplished in a definite number of work-hours by calculating the basic hours necessary for the performance of a certain amount of work.

8. READERS' COLUMN

Uninspiring Leader

Commissioner Yi of our Ri Democratic Youth League is very irresponsible in his duties. He has never called a committee meeting since his appointment as Ri commissioner and has left every problem to the branch group leaders for solution. We expect him from now on to guide the branch communities under his control with more sincerity.

Formalism in the County Democratic Youth League

The Democratic Youth League of our county is inclined to open the Ri Commissioners' meeting without any enthusiasm. Its way of dealing with Ri affairs is ineffective. We hope it will try later on to have contact with the farmers in order to carry on activities more energetically.

9. DIAGRAM FOR PROSPECT OF INDUSTRY IN 1956 AS COMPARED TO 1949

Slate	600%
Bricks	1630%
Cement	120%

10. READERS MEETING

The Democratic Youth League members of the 9th squad under the leadership of KANG Che-kun held a meeting for readers of Minchu Ch'ongnyon. They noted that Minchu Ch'ongnyon was a great help to them in the advancement of their cultural life, and demanded more copies of the newspaper. They suggested that more articles on culture be put in the paper.

11. METHOD OF POLITICAL TRAINING

For political training agitators must begin by reviewing what was taught at the preceding lecture, and then interpret the substance and objectives of the subject to be taken up. Interpretation should be systematically done in easy terms in order to have the students grasp all of what is said. It is of great importance for explainers to bring up cultural works connected with the subjects being interpreted; a superfluous illustration, however, should be avoided. It will disrupt students' attention and interfere with their comprehending the essentials of the subject. A speech to be delivered should meet the demands of the listeners, arouse their interest, and be told in such terms as easily understood by them. In form it should be plain and brief; subjects to be chosen must be practical. During the course of speech, a mild atmosphere is desirable in which audiences will readily tend to ask questions.

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12. IDLE MAN CHOE UNG-SU

CHOE Ung-su of the 44th group of Sinang-dong, P'yongyang, idles away his time. He has never listened to the advice of our Democratic Youth League, and says that his sole happiness is living in comfort. Such a sluggard, an obstruction to the advancement of our standard of living, can not be tolerated.

(SKETCH OF AN IDLE MAN)

13. PHOTO OF NORTH KOREAN DELEGATE AND CHINESE WOMEN

The photo shows CHOE Pun-ok, a former tank driver in the North Korean Army and a member of a North Korean delegation visiting China, and four Chinese women, members of Chinese soldiers' families.

14. CONSTRUCTION OF RESERVOIR IN KAECHE'ON COUNTY

The Kuup-ri Youth League members in Kaech'on County recently assigned 50 workers into three teams. On 22 April they began the task of repairing the dikes, of waterways and reservoirs. Agitators were quick to inspire farmers to take part in the work. With the help of Chinese soldiers, the dam work on a reservoir of over 300 cubic meters and a waterway 50 meters long was completed by the end of April.

15. DILLIGENT TELEPHONE OPERATOR YIM HO-CHE

Corporal YIM Ho-che of the 9th squad, under the leadership of CHON Tae-sup, studied hard during his three years of service learning about the switchboard and telephone equipment. He finally succeeded in framing a switchboard with old parts of that installation.

16. CHINESE SOLDIERS RELATE WAR EXPERIENCES

A meeting was recently held at Tosan High School, where the Chinese soldiers related their war experiences. Their stories were greatly inspiring.

17. PLANTING OF TREES

Members of the Democratic Youth League of Yonpung-ri, Ch'osan County, together with 300 young men in the area, planted trees on more than 20 acres of land in Fabalyong and Sakkatyong. They also met and discussed how to reclaim waste lands, remove insects harmful to young plants, and prevent mountain vegetables in the area from being picked.

18. EXEMPLARY CORRESPONDENT YI MUN-HUI

Since YI Mun-hui went to work at the publication distribution agency managed by YIM Yong-ho, newspapers and pamphlets have been delivered regularly. On rainy days he does not fail to distribute papers.

(PHOTO OF YI MUN-HUI)

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19. STRUGGLE OF CZECHOSLOVAKIAN YOUTH FOR SOCIALIST CONSTRUCTION

The Czechoslovakian people have achieved a great deal on the

road to Communism, since they were freed from the shackles of Nazi Germany on 9 May nine years ago. By the end of 1953 the production of electric power increased more than three times, steel production nearly two times, and coal production one and a half times that of 1937. Such wonderful results are due only to the steady efforts in political training made by the Czechoslovakian Youth League under the guidance of the Communist Party. The People's Assembly of that country recently adopted the economic plan for 1954, based on the economic improvements in the last five years. We North Korean people send congratulations to them on the occasion of the ninth anniversary of the liberation of Czechoslovakia.

20. NEWS FROM CHINA

a. Local elections are now being held in China. In Peking 98% of the voters of seven downtown divisions cast their ballot, and in the suburbs, which included six divisions, 95% voted. A total of 9,600 representatives were elected in the Peking area.

b. Production reform campaign: Since September 1952, when CHANG Myong-san (sic) of the Ansan Steel Refinery discovered the automatic way of making a mass of steel into a sheet of steel, workers of factories and mines all over China have endeavored to reform their production process. Consequently, 545 devices pertaining to electricity and machinery were invented of which 309 were chosen to be used. By introducing these new tools and machines the production efficiency in a single year was raised 41.5% and a profit of 426,280,000(JMF) made.

21. SOUTH KOREA IS HELL ON EARTH

22. ATHLETIC MEET OF AMITY

The North Korean basketball team now traveling in the Soviet Union is being welcomed everywhere in that country.

(PHOTO OF BASKETBALL GAME BETWEEN KOREA AND USSR)

23. NORTH KOREAN SOLDIER CHONG CHIN'S ACCOUNT

"Recently I visited my home town in South Hamgyong Province, and was deeply impressed with the No. 1 Primary Institute located at the foot of the Bitai Mountain along the Oro River. The head of the orphanage said: 'Orphans here are all happy under the care of the Party and government. Everything is provided for the children - a restroom, a dining room, and a bathroom.' One of the children said to me: 'How I hate Americans, for they killed my parents. I thank our North Korean soldiers who have smashed them all.'"

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